

**APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO CHANGE POINT OF DIVERSION, MANNER  
OF USE AND PLACE OF USE OF THE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE  
STATE OF NEVADA HERETOFORE APPROPRIATED**

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Returned to applicant for correction..... FEB 04 1993

Corrected application filed..... APR 26 1993 Map filed..... APR 15 1993 under 58640T

The applicant..... FirstMiss Gold Inc.

P.O. Box 220

Street and No. or P.O. Box No.

of

Golconda

City or Town

Nevada 89414

State and Zip Code No.

..... hereby make S. application for permission to change the

point of diversion, manner of use and place of use

Point of diversion, manner of use, and/or place of use

of water heretofore appropriated under Certificate No. 2757, previous permit No. 10369,

Identify existing right by Permit, Certificate, Proof or Claim Nos. If Decreed, give title of Decree and

identify right in Decree.

1. The source of water is S-524 Vertical Shaft Spring (now mined through, see attachment)

Name of stream, lake, underground spring or other source.

2. The amount of water to be changed..... 0.177 c.f.s.

Second feet, acre feet. One second foot equals 448.83 gallons per minute.

3. The water to be used for..... mining, milling, dewatering

Irrigation, power, mining, industrial, etc. If for stock state number and kind of animals.

4. The water heretofore permitted for..... mining, milling

Irrigation, power, mining, industrial, etc. If for stock state number and kind of animals.

5. The water is to be diverted at the following point..... SW $\frac{1}{4}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 33, T39N, R42E M.D.B.&M.;

Describe as being within a 40-acre subdivision of public survey and by course and

or at a point from which the SE corner of said Section 33 bears S 68° 32' 55"

distance to a section corner. If on unsurveyed land, it should be stated.

E a distance of 2272 ft; water is to be diverted from a pit perimeter well known  
as PW-2.

6. The existing permitted point of diversion is located within..... NE $\frac{1}{4}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 4 T38N, R42E

If point of diversion is not changed, do not answer.

from the collar of a vertical shaft now mined through or at a point from which

NW corner of Sec 4 bears S 89° 11' W a distance of 2035 feet.

7. Proposed place of use..... within sections 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 32, 33, 34 in T39N,

Describe by legal subdivisions. If for irrigation state number of acres to be irrigated.

R42E; and within sections 3, 4, 9, 10 in T38N, R42E M.D.B.&M.

8. Existing place of use..... a mill (no longer existing) in SE $\frac{1}{4}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 33, T39N,

Describe by legal subdivisions. If permit is for irrigation, state number of acres irrigated. If changing place of use and/or

R42E M.D.B.&M.

manner of use of irrigation permit, describe acreage to be removed from irrigation.

9. Use will be from..... January 1st to..... December 31st..... of each year.

Month and Day

Month and Day

10. Use was permitted from..... January 1st to..... December 31st..... of each year.

Month and Day

Month and Day

11. Description of proposed works. (Under the provisions of NRS 535.010 you may be required to submit plans and specifications of your diversion or storage works.)..... drill 700 foot well, case, and install

State manner in which water is to be diverted, i.e. diversion structure,

pump and piping,

ditches, pipes and flumes, or drilled well, etc.

12. Estimated cost of works..... \$95,000.00

13. Estimated time required to construct works..... 3 weeks

14. Estimated time required to complete the application of water to beneficial use. (temporary change)

15. Remarks: For use other than irrigation or stock watering, state number and type of units to be served or annual consumptive use:

The estimated consumption of water pumped from the point of diversion is  
41.76 million gallons per annum. The total consumption of water under permits  
29075, 10370, 10369, 52476, 45731, 53015, and 45730 shall not exceed 584.99  
million gallons per annum.

By s/John Barta  
P.O. Box 220  
Golconda, NV 89414  
Compared bc/bc cl/bk  
Protested

APPROVAL  
OF STATE ENGINEER

This is to certify that I have examined the foregoing application, and do hereby grant the same, subject to the following limitations and conditions:

This permit to change the point of diversion, place of use and manner of use of the waters of an underground source as heretofore granted under Permit 10369, Certificate 2757 is issued subject to the terms and conditions imposed in said Permit 10369, Certificate 2757 and with the understanding that no other rights on the source will be affected by the change proposed herein. A totalizing meter must be installed and maintained in the discharge pipeline near the point of diversion and accurate measurements must be kept of water placed to beneficial use. The totalizing meter must be installed before any use of the water begins or before the proof of completion of work is filed. This source is located within an area designated by the State Engineer pursuant to NRS 534.030.

This permit is issued under the preferred use provisions of NRS Chapter 534. The manner of use of water under this permit is by nature of its activity a temporary use and any application to change the manner of use granted under this permit will be subject to additional determination and evaluation with respect to the permanent effects on existing rights and the resource within the ground water basin.

This permit will allow the permittee to dewater the pit area and underground mining operations. It is understood that any water pumped as a result of this dewatering operation will be used first by the permittee for surface and underground (CONTINUED ON PAGE 2)

The amount of water to be changed shall be limited to the amount which can be applied to beneficial use, and not to exceed 0.177 cubic feet per second, but not to exceed 41.75 million gallons annually.

Work must be prosecuted with reasonable diligence and be completed on or before February 30, 1997  
Proof of completion of work shall be filed before March 30, 1997  
Application of water to beneficial use shall be made on or before February 30, 1998  
Proof of the application of water to beneficial use shall be filed on or before March 30, 1998  
Map in support of proof of beneficial use shall be filed on or before N/A

Completion of work filed MAR 28 1997  
Proof of beneficial use filed  
Cultural map filed  
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, R. MICHAEL TURNIPSEED, P.E.  
State Engineer of Nevada, have hereunto set my hand and the seal of my  
office, this 3rd day of May

A.D. 19 96  
Certificate No. Issued  
CANCELLLED MAY 31 2000 A portion being 5.19 mgd BECAUSE OF FAILURE  
OF APPLICANT TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF PERMIT  
Approved By Port 6590/0455  
State Engineer

Can rescinded 6-19-00  
(O)-1108 (Rev. 6-81)

## (PERMIT TERMS CONTINUED)

mining, milling, leaching, drilling, road watering and other related mining uses hereinafter referred to as mining and milling uses within the described place of use of this permit.

The State Engineer retains the right to regulate pumping from the dewatering project and/or any other groundwater withdrawals herein authorized to protect the public interest and existing rights. Any water produced from this dewatering operation and not used for mining and milling purposes must be injected or infiltrated back to the Kelley Creek Groundwater Basin. The method of infiltration shall be designed to minimize any evaporation losses. Any injection or infiltration of water must have the necessary permits issued by the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection.

This permit does not extend the permittee the right of ingress and egress on public, private, or corporate land.

The issuance of this permit does not waive the requirements that the permit holder obtain other permits from State, Federal and local agencies and is specifically issued contingent upon approval by the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection relating to the dewatering project.

The total combined duty of water for consumptive purposes under Permits 28758, Certificate 13803; 45730, Certificate 13805; 45731, Certificate 13806; 45732, Certificate 13807, 49815, Certificate 13809; 51990, 52476, Certificate 13817; 53015; 53030; 58406; 58408; 61546; 61557-T; 61558-T; 61559-T; 61601; 61602; 61603; 61604; 61605; 61667-T; 61686; 61688; 61689; 61690 and 61862-T shall not exceed 1034.0 million gallons annually.

The total combined diversion rate under the above referenced permits and any subsequent changes to these permits shall not exceed 15.60 cubic feet per second (7,000 gallons per minute).

Monthly records will be kept of the following: the volume of water pumped from each well, the volume of water consumptively used for mining and milling uses project wide, the amount of water discharged to infiltration or injection and the water level (static or pumping) of each permitted well and monitoring wells HL-1, DM-3, MW-16, MW-17 and MW-18. These records will be submitted within 15 days after the end of each month. A method that estimates the amount of evaporative losses from the discharge system will be submitted with the monthly report. The evaporative losses will be considered as a part of the combined duty for consumptive purposes.

All flow measurements taken at those locations described in Covenant 2.3 (Flow Measurement) of the Water Resources agreement between FirstMiss Gold, Inc. and LaVar Murdock, dba Adams Peak Properties dated February 27, 1996, shall be reported in the above monthly report.

All of the above stated conditions are issued subject to having no adverse impacts on existing rights.

**Attachment 1**  
**PERMIT APPLICATION No. 58406**

**January 22, 1993**

**Description of Source of Water**

The gold and silver ores have been mined at the Getchell Mine using both surface and underground mining methods. Underground methods often gain access to the ore by way of vertical openings or shafts such as the S-524 shaft. FirstMiss Gold pumped water from this shaft as surface mining progressed and deepened the pit eventually mining through the bottom of the shaft.

Although the source is described as a "Shaft Spring" on certificate No. 2757, the shaft acted in the same manner as a large diameter well producing water from underground. FirstMiss Gold's application No. 58406 submits to move this appropriation of underground waters to well PW-2 at the perimeter of the pit.